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Dear Doctor Brock:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in giving me the sad news of Bob's death. We had heard some fragments of this via Syd Rubbo but I do appreciate your having sent the additional note. All of his friends here are certain that the tragedy is the sequel to his car accident five years ago and in that sense the account that Mari is giving Mr. Lund is quite correct. We feel particularly concerned for Mari now but she has come through a great deal before and we think that adversity will not cow her spirit. Esther has written to her and if she is returning to the States this way, we will look forward to seeing her.

Yours sincerely,

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